

Table 11. Most important reason for doctoral scientists and engineers to be working outside field of doctoral degree: 1997

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Most important reason	All fields
Total reporting working outside doctoral degree field (number).....	37,900
	Percent
Pay/promotion opportunities.....	20
Working conditions.....	5
Job location.....	4
Change in career or professional interest.....	30
Family-related reasons.....	5
Job in doctoral field not available.....	24
Other reason.....	11

NOTES: Numbers are rounded to nearest hundred. Percents are rounded to the whole number. Details may not add to totals because of rounding. Survey of Doctorate Recipients includes persons who had earned a research doctorate from an U.S. institution and resided in U.S. as of April 1997.

SOURCE: National Science Foundation/Division of Science Resources Statistics, 1997 Survey of Doctorate Recipients